HOUSE No. 874

By Mrs. Harkins of Needham, petition of Lida E. Harkins and others relative to the garnishment of wages for child support and alimony. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Lida E. Harkins
Cory Atkins
Anne M. Gobi
Rachel Kaprielian
Kathi-Anne Reinstein
Barry R. Finegold
Mary E. Grant
Elizabeth A. Malia
Paul J. Donato
Rachel Kaprielian
John W. Scibak
James R. Miceli
Christine E. Canavan

Barbara A. L'Italien

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE GARNISHMENT OF WAGES FOR CHILD SUPPORT AND ALIMONY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 246 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after section 20A the following new section:—
- 3 Section 20B. Notwithstanding the provisions of section
- 4 twenty A, any person who has received a judgment for child sup-
- 5 port or alimony from a state which borders the commonwealth
- 6 and also has received an order from a court of such state for the
- 7 garnishment of wages to satisfy such judgment shall be entitled to
- 8 have such order honored by an employer in the commonwealth
- 9 without any further order from a court of the commonwealth.